

Sales Tax Committee Meeting

Summary Minutes

October 11, 2012

Absent members: Ms. Laurie Hartsfield, Mr. Bill Peebles, Mr. Mark Tarmey, and Mr. Bill Tucker.

Meeting began at 4:07 pm

Mr. Wayne Tedder, Director of PLACE, introduced Charles Hargraves as the new Blueprint 2000 Manager.

The Chairman moved to amend the Committee's absence policy to apply to four total absences before dismissal, instead of two consecutive absences. Mr. Will Messer seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Attached are the revised bylaws.

Agenda Item #1: Citizens to be Heard

Mr. Bruce Screws addressed the Committee to recommend that the Committee consider spending money on roads and infrastructure.

Mr. Brad Trotman addressed the Committee regarding two lakes in Killearn Estates, which are polluted and need to be cleaned to improve water quality. The Committee asked if money was contributed to the lake cleanup whether the lakes would remain private; the answer requires further research and will be addressed in the November meeting.

Ms. Debbie Lightsey addressed the Committee on behalf of the Wakulla Springs Alliance. She requested that the Wakulla Springs Alliance be included in the discussion regarding sewage and water treatment during the November 29th meeting. Ms. Henree Martin made a motion to invite the Wakulla Springs Alliance to present to the Committee during the November 29th meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Will Messer. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #2: Approval of Summary Minutes for the September 27, 2012 Meeting of the Leon County Sales Tax Committee

Ms. Glenda Thorton wanted the minutes to reflect that she was not included in the voting since she had not yet been confirmed by the City Commission.

Mr. Ed Murry made a motion to approve the summary minutes for the September 27, 2012 meeting of the Sales Tax Committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Terrance Hinson. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #3: Requested Information from the Committee: Tentative Timeline for "Community Meetings"

Mrs. Cristina Paredes discussed grouping presentations together around themes as she walked the Committee through its schedule for the rest of the year. Mrs. Paredes noted that Gateways would be covered in this meeting through County project descriptions, and the October 25th meeting with City project descriptions.

The November 15th meeting would be 'Transportation' themed with presentations on regional transportation issues. County projects #12-16 will be now be presented at this time. The Home Owners Associations will be invited to an open house meeting, also on November 15, at 6:00pm.

The November 29th meeting will focus on water resources and water quality. There will be presentations from the Water Resources Committee, Killearn Estates Homeowners Association, and Wakulla Springs Alliance. The later part of that evening will feature presentations from the Capital City Chamber, Florida Hispanic Professionals Association, and schools/universities in the area.

The December 13th meeting will feature presentations on the Convention Center, Sports Complex, and Performing Arts Center.

January 10th's meeting will include a presentation on economic development.

The Committee requested that KCCI be invited to the next meeting in regards to Gateways.

Agenda Item #4: Additional Project Identification by Committee Members

None.

Agenda Item #5: Presentation on the Leon County Infrastructure Projects for the Sales Tax Committee's Consideration

Mr. Vince Long, County Administrator, introduced each of the County projects to the Committee before turning to staff to present each individual component of the projects. Mr. Long noted that the County's approach was holistic and kept with the original Blueprint 2000 philosophy. There will be an opportunity to merge County, City, and citizen projects once they've been presented. The County evaluated each project based on whether it contributed to: 1) the Comprehensive Plan; 2) the Regional Mobility Plan; 3) the Greenway Master Plan; 4) Connectivity; 5) Compliments Blueprint 2000 Projects; 6) Water Quality Enhancements and Green Infrastructure; 7) Stormwater/Sewer Capacity Improvements; 8) Transportation Capacity Improvements. Each of these criteria was addressed for each project description.

Proposed County Projects:

- Northeast Connector Corridor
- Lake Jackson Preservation and Mobility Enhancements
- Northwest Connector Corridor
- Westside Student Corridor Enhancements and Flood Relief
- Pine Flats Trail
- Southside Gateway Enrichment
- Lake Lafayette and St. Marks Regional Linear Park
- Market District Activity Center Connectivity
- Northeast Park

Due to time constraints, staff suggested presenting the projects regarding water resources at the same night of the Water Resources Committee on November 29th. Projects 12-16 'county infrastructure' projects will be presented on November 15th with the transportation presentations.

Before adjourning, the Committee discussed the projects overall. The Committee asked if any of these projects had been on a capital improvement plan in the last five years. The Committee also asked what other resources are available for funding these projects besides the sales tax? Mr. Rosenzweig replied that none of the projects were on a capital improvements plan. Some projects, like Tharpe Street, were defunded due to budget constraints, but all projects in the capital improvements plan are budgeted for and are not being presented to the Committee.

The Committee also asked the following information be provided to the committee on the county projects. This information includes the following:

- On-going maintenance cost included for each project.
- Additional information on the flood mitigation for the Westside Student Corridor Project.
- Break out costs for each component of the projects.
- Population impacts of the projects.

Other Committee Business:

The Committee's next meeting will be held on Thursday, October 25, 2012 in the First Floor Program Room of the Main Library at 4pm.

The next Sales Tax Committee Open House will be held on Thursday, November 15, 2012 in the First Floor Program Room of the Main Library at 6pm.

Ms. Glenda Thorton made a motion to conclude meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tom O'Steen. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.